

Pigeon River Boy Scout District Has Court of Honor

The Pigeon River District Court of Honor of the Boy Scouts was held in the court room of the Haywood county court house here on Monday night, with M. H. Bowles, district vice chairman, presiding. Eagle Scout Bill Richeson of Troop 2, Waynesville, served as clerk of the court.

Rev. Lyman Achenbach gave the invocation which was followed by the call for the award of tenderfoot, with F. V. Smith, assistant Scout executive, Daniel Boone Council, in charge of the tenderfoot investiture.

Tenderfoot badges were awarded to the following: J. B. Wilson, of Canton, Troop 1; Donny Leatherwood, of Waynesville, Troop 2; Joseph Medford, of Lake Junaluska, Troop 8; Luke L. Perrell, of Lake Junaluska, Troop 8; Laure Ames, of Canton, Troop 13; Robert Lee Ramey, of Lake Junaluska, Troop 8; Billy Joe Coleman, of Canton, Troop 13; and Oliver R. Calhoun, of Cecil, Troop 15.

The highest award of the court was the presentation of Star Scout to Parker S. Gay, Jr., of Waynesville, Troop 2, and J. Davis Whitesides, of Bethel, Troop 12, which was made by Rev. George B. Culbreth, committeeman of Troop 13, Canton.

Second class badges were awarded to Johnny Mack Allison, Waynesville, Troop 2; Gardner McCrary, Canton, Troop 11; and Karl E. Achebach, Cecil, Troop 15, by Wayne Rogers, Scoutmaster Troop 8, Lake Junaluska.

First class badges were awarded by R. H. T. Hill, committeeman from Troop 8, Lake Junaluska, to Jimmy Patton, Canton, Troop 1; Joe Jack Wells, Bethel, Troop 12; and Billy Joe Rhodarmer, Canton, Troop 13.

Dispatch letter certificates for the Office of War Information were awarded by M. Smith to Buddy Clark and Billy Rolland, of Canton, Troop 1, and James Clark and Billy Swafford, of Canton, Troop 7.

The following merit badges were awarded by Louis Gates, assistant Scout commissioner to: Rogers Howell, Canton, Troop 1, for public health, personal health, first aid and athletics; Bill Richeson, Waynesville, Troop 2, for scholarship; Joe Bill Platt, Waynesville Troop 2, for dairying; Richard Hannah, Lake Junaluska, Troop 8, for home repairs; J. Davis Whitesides, Bethel, Troop 12, for public health; William Whitesides, Jr., Bethel, Troop 12, first aid; and Bobby Fisher, Canton, Troop 13, home repairs.

Training certificates were awarded district training chairman by Assistant Executive Officer Smith to Rev. R. T. Houde, Troop 12, Bethel; Rev. Miles McLean, Troop 8, Lake Junaluska; Rev. Lyman Achenbach, Troop 15, Cecil; R. T. Henson, Troop 1, Canton; Dan Watkins, Troop 2, Waynesville; Fleet C. Holland, Troop 4, Canton; Clarence H. Morrow, Troop 13, Canton, and W. E. Edwards, Troop 4, Canton.

Following the court of honor the district committee of the Pigeon River District Court of Boy Scouts held a meeting.

Back the attack. Buy War Bonds and Stamps.

Medford Farm News

James W. Carnes was honored on his 75th birthday on June 18 by his family and friends with a dinner featuring a birthday cake. Those present for the affair included the following:

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Banks, Mr. and Mrs. Buford Rogers, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Chaney, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Russell, all members of his family, and other guests, Rev. Benfield and children, Loque Carbes, Mrs. Claude Green, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Gates, Mrs. Lee Walker, of Sylva.

Lee Gaddy, Hardy Medford, Mrs. Robinson, Mrs. Hilton Dotson, Miss Dorothea Chaney, Miss Ellen Chaney, Miss Vivien Dotson, Mrs. J. D. Flowers, and Mrs. Joseph Medford.

Mr. Carnes received numerous gifts from his family and friends.

Revival services began Sunday, June 11th, at the Woodland church. Services are conducted each evening at 8 o'clock by the Rev. Harrison Benfield. The public is invited to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Holcombe have returned to their home in Detroit after visiting the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Penland, Canton.

Mrs. Bill Abbotte and Mrs. Howard Leatherwood have returned home from a visit with the latter's son, Jerry, in Oakland, Calif.

Miss Louise Reed is visiting her grandparents at Spring Creek.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford King of Wilmington, visited friends here last week.

Julian Hawkins, who is attending military school in Florida, visited his sister, Mrs. Wayne Medford, last week.

Clara Stevenson has enlisted in the WAVES and is awaiting further call to Hunter College, New York, for training.

St. John's Vacation Home Opens With Seventeen Students

St. John's Vacation Home for Girls opened Monday with seventeen girls between the ages of seven and fourteen registered.

St. John's Vacation Home combines the active life of a camp with the comforts of a city home. The camp will remain open for eight weeks and is under the direction of the Sisters of St. Francis.

The girls live in cottages on St. John's campus with an experienced camp staff including chaplain, physician and nurse in charge.

A daily swim in Lake Junaluska, tennis, boating and fishing are featured on the program.

Day campers are admitted at a moderate fee for participation in the camp activities from 9 a. m. until 6 p. m.

Mrs. Lawson Summerow, who has been residing at Fort Sill, Oklahoma with her husband, Sgt. Summerow, for some time, has arrived for an indefinite stay in Hazelwood with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Boineau.

LIFE RAFT SET FOR PLEASANTER ROLE



TIME: POSTWAR DAYS. Place: any vacation spot. Action: three pretty girls show how rubber life rafts now used by downed fliers can be utilized for more pleasant occasions. When peace comes again, rafts of this type will dot our lakes and waterways. (International)

Items Made At Dayton Rubber Company Had Big Part In Invasion

The tremendous scope of preparations for the invasion of Europe so far as the Army Air Forces are concerned was revealed yesterday by the Material Command from Headquarters of its Southeastern Procurement District in Atlanta.

Colonel R. W. Propst, District Supervisor, said that the greatest engineering and production effort in history had gone into the job of providing the Army Air Forces with the staggering total of more than 450,000 separate items including planes and equipment. "The full story cannot yet be told," Col. Propst said, "because many of the developments of the Material Command are still of a highly secret nature. But American parents who have sons in the thick of the fighting in France and elsewhere can be assured that the equipment furnished them gives them the best possible chance for victory and survival."

Brig. Gen. Franklin O. Carroll, commanding the Material Command, said: "Although enormous stocks of material are already in combat areas, the Material Command is not easing up in any degree on its vast job of engineering, procurement, production and inspection affecting the thousands of war plants throughout the nation. This war is far from won," Gen. Carroll said. "We will still need thousands of additional planes, thousands of new items and equipment—and to get them we will require the help of every person engaged in war production. This is most decidedly not the time for any relaxation of effort."

In commenting on the initial phases of the invasion of Western Europe, Gen. Carroll pointed out that the AAF has the upper hand in every theater of war because aircraft manufacturers hand in hand with Material Command experts, had gone all out to create the biggest, most important business in the world. Every day the Material Command spends \$75,000,000 or about 30c of every war dollar on AAF material for victory.

Production is only part of the story, Col. Propst pointed out. First there were momentous decisions to be made on design, development and standardization. And when a fighter or a bomber did become standard, there were constant modifications to keep up with combat conditions or to fit ships for specific missions.

The Dayton Rubber Manufacturing Co., Waynesville, has for the past two years contributed toward preparation for the invasion, in the manufacture of Oxygen breathing tube, and 5 and 7-man life rafts for the material command. These items are particularly adapted to waging effective war against our enemy. The AAF personnel attached to the Inspection Section, of the Material Command, stationed at the Waynesville plant are supervised by C. C. Furtado, resident inspector in charge, working under AAF Material Command, Raleigh office.

F. C. Rogers, the newly appointed plant manager of Dayton Rubber Manufacturing Company said: "The plant was originally established in this locality to serve primarily the textile industry with

loom supplies. At the off-set of the war it was found that the plant was ideally located for the development and manufacture of advance articles for use in the armed forces. Since that time the plant has expanded approximately 200 per cent and many of its products have been of a highly secretive nature." The engineering division of the Material Command maintains great laboratories at Wright Field for constant testing and experimentation on ships, propellers, airframes, engines, safety equipment, radio and the thousands of other items required by the greatest air power in the world. The districts and areas covering the country from coast-to-coast, the command oversees production and inspection to keep material at the required AAF standards.

The specific jobs done by the Material Command on pre-invasion planes and equipment, as well as the material now being produced for the drive on Berlin itself, would take volumes to describe, Colonel Propst said, because every single plane and piece of equipment from bombers to oxygen masks used by the AAF was either originated or developed in some way by command engineers.

For the special jobs of invasion and the drive on Berlin, the Material Command has made weapons to fit. First reports said paratroopers played a vital role in the initial stages of the big push. No operation involving use of paratroopers can possibly be successful unless at the very beginning, "They get their firstrest with the most-est." The job of transporting the paratroopers to the scene of action is most frequently assigned to Douglas C-53's and C-47's. The men wore chutes considered the most efficient in the world, with harnesses designed and tested at Material Command laboratories. Their nylon canopies were perfected after long and dangerous trials by command chute experts.

New types of bombs are being dropped. The new "cluster" bomb consists of a number of fragmentation bombs strapped together to form a single unit which can be carried in any service bomb rack. When it is released, an arming wire automatically frees the bands,

Ratcliff Cove News

Staff Sgt. Glenn Francis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Francis, is spending a furlough here with his parents. Sgt. Francis has recently returned from overseas service. Upon leaving here he will report to Durham for his new assignment. He has a brother, Sgt. Carl Francis, who is now serving overseas.

Private Fuller Mare is spending several days furlough here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mare. He has also served overseas for several months, having spent sometime in Alaska during his period away from the States. Pvt. Mare is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Hardy Mare and has a brother, Jess Mare, who is in the service.

The Vacation Bible School of the Ratcliff Cove Baptist church has closed after a large and successful term.

Mrs. Robert Harrison spent the week-end in Asheville visiting friends.

Pink Underwood, Jr., is reported to be improving after being confined to his home by illness.

Miss Frances Francis has arrived home for the summer.

Ratcliff Cove women get together every Thursday afternoon and go to Waynesville to work in the Red Cross rooms.

Lane Arrington, Jr., recently spent a 15-day furlough here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lane Arrington.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Battle, of Bryson City, announce the birth of a daughter, Mary Josephin, on June 7th, at the C. J. Harris Hospital, Sylva. Mrs. Battle is the former Miss Anna Jean Platt, of Waynesville, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Platt.

The cluster breaks apart and the individual bombs are to the target making a large area pattern and scattering shrapnel. Both troop concentrations and parked aircraft will feel its effects.

As the invasion progresses, new Material Command weapons will be poured in. Jet propulsion fighters are on the way, Superfortresses, rocket guns and other equally fantastic.

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While the prices of practically everything including the costs of furnishing telephone service, have gone up, telephone rates have not increased—the contrary long distance telephone rates have been reduced, resulting in large savings to telephone users in North Carolina during the past three years.

The schedule of pay of telephone workers is the highest it has ever been. At the same time taxes have increased tremendously. Since our entry into the war in December, 1941, the telephone company has paid out more than \$6,000,000 for federal, state, county and municipal taxes in North Carolina.

Though the telephone company is doing the largest volume of business in its history it is making less than 4 1/2% on its investment in North Carolina.

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